GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:74
ANSWERED ON:05.03.2002
SPORTS ACADEMY IN STATES
MOHAN RAWALE

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has not been able to establish itself a force to reckon with in the field of sports so far inspite of spending crores of rupees on sports every year:

(b) if so, whether the Government have decided to open a sports academy in each State with a view to promote sports in the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS(SUSHREE UMA BHARTI)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRRED QUESTION NO.74 T ANSWERED ON 5.3.2002 REGARDING SPORTS ACADEMY IN STATES ASKED BY SHRI MOHAN RAWALE:

(a) It is a fact that India has not so far been able to establish itself as a force to reckon with in sports at international level. However, there has been a steady progress in the performance of our sportspersons in international sports competitions. They have given good performance at the Asian level championships. In certain disciplines such as chess, shooting, billiards & snooker and women`s weight lifting, Indian sportspersons have given world class performance. Given the size and population of our country, the amount spent on sports is very meager in comparison with other leading countries of the world in international sports.

(b) & (c): The scheme of Sports Academies has not yet been approved by the Government.